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## **Description:**

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CARA (**Computer Aided Room Acoustics**) is a very advanced computer program for computing and optimizing **Room Acoustics** of arbitrary rooms. CARA is based on the sound source imaging method in combination with a back tracing procedure.

CARA analyzes and improves room acoustic influenced sound coloration in a two step procedure:

- determination of the basic acoustic properties of the room (**Acoustic Ambiance**) in combination with suggestions regarding the furnishings (wall materials, furniture) in order to linearize the reverberation time spectrum,
- automatic **Positional Optimization** for the loudspeakers and the listener to minimize sound wave interferences (standing waves) in the listening area.

For a detailed analysis CARA calculates the total **sound field data** at 1,000-3,000 equally distributed grid points in the room. The evaluation of the sound field data concerns the modal structure (steady state sound pressure distribution), the room response of a Dirac-Pulse excitation in the time domain, the distribution of sound coloration, the sound imaging (stereophonic sound localization), and the speech intelligibility.

CARA provides the expert with a great number of room acoustic reference numbers (frequency dependent reverberation times, sound coloration, speech intelligibility, lateral sound level, or stereophonic sound localization) derived from **sound pressure frequency responses** or **transient room responses/reverberation diagrams**.

The special function **Auralization** renders a listening test in the (virtual) room to evaluate for example sound differences due to different loudspeaker positionings. Any piece of music (two channels Stereo) may be used for this.

### **CARA is structured into three functional blocks**

(italic and underlined = new functions in CARA 2.1/2.2 PLUS)

1. **Room Design**
2. Room Acoustic **Calculations**
3. **Presentation of Results** (2D and 3D Diagrams)

## **Room Design:**

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- arbitrary floor plans (L-rooms, coupled rooms, ...), maximum size 100 x 100 m, *the wizard "New Room Design" offers a number of predefined floor plan templates (all dimensions may also be entered in non-metric units like inches or feet)*
- inside walls as partitions, columns, false ceilings, ceiling beams, as well as sloped ceilings and oblique floors (attic apartments, cinemas)
- furniture database (tables, cupboards, armchairs, etc.), or customize your furniture of several so-called 3D-objects
- additional sound absorbing sub areas (windows, pictures, carpets) can be defined within a wall
- Materials Editor: definition of customized sound absorbing materials
- **Loudspeaker Editor:** customize your loudspeaker model (cabinet styles : blocks with slanted walls), *1-5 ways loudspeakers, act./pass. subwoofers, or dipole radiating flat panels. Using the **updated (Rel. 2.2 PLUS) editor** (see **Download / Patches**) also sophisticated cabinets (e.g. composed of several cabinet sections, like a dipole hybrid LS) may be designed.*
- Loudspeaker Configurations: Stereo, Quadro, Surround (analogue, digital: 5.1, 6.1, 7.1, 8.1), PA (Public Address)
- loudspeaker database with approx. 200 proprietary speaker models, new models can be "**downloaded**" from the internet
- Positional Optimization: *L-, T-, or cross shaped positioning regions*
- walking around in your 3D room model

### **Calculations:**

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- automatic positional optimization for the loudspeakers and the listening place, *with symmetry constraint options (equal spacing to front and side walls)*
- room sound field calculations at 1000-3000 grid points equally distributed within a certain layer above the floor
- *reduction of calculating times for rectangular rooms (without furniture) in comparison to the latest version by a factor of up to 1000*
- calculation with real and complex reflection coefficients (optionally)
- *The additional "PLUS Functions":*
  - *Calculation and evaluation of the "Acoustic Ambiance" (reverberation time spectrum)*
  - *Calculation of the high resolution transient room response as a basis for the "Auralization" (listening test)*

### **Presentation of Results:**

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- representation of the optimized positioning of the loudspeakers and the listening place
- listing of a survey of the room acoustics reference numbers: sound coloration, location, speech intelligibility, reverberation time and lateral sound level
- 3D representation of the frequency and time dependence of the modal structure of the sound pressure in the room
- 3D representation the temporal propagation of the sound wave fronts in the room
- 3D sound coloration, location and speech intelligibility maps of your sound room
- 2D-XY diagrams: sound pressure level frequency responses, location diagram, reverberation diagram, frequency dependence of the mean sound absorption coefficient and of the reverberation time (Sabine, Eyring, Kuttruff and CARA-T10) of your room
- The additional "PLUS Functions":
  - "Acoustic Ambiance" including suggestions for linearizing the reverberation time spectrum by insertion of additional materials or furniture (already during room design)
  - "Auralization": listening tests e.g. for the comparison of different loudspeaker positionings

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